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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/678,170 Art Unit: 2123  
Filing Date: October 6, 2003 Examiner: Dwin Craig  
Applicant: David Joseph KROPACZEK et al. Conf.: 2278  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FACILITATING RECOVERY  
OF NUCLEAR FUEL FROM FUEL POOL  
Attorney Docket: 24GA6001 (HDP Ref.: 8564-000042/US)

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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2008, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Listing of the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this Amendment.

	<b>Claims remaining after Amendment</b>		<b>Highest number previously paid for</b>		<b>Present extra</b>
<b>Total</b>	14	-	34	=	0
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